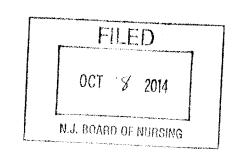
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IN THE MATTER OF THE SURRENDER OF THE CERTIFICATE OF

Administrative Action

Latoya Jackson, C.H.H.A.

INTERIM CONSENT ORDER

CERTIFICATE NO.: 26NH10604300

TO PRACTICE AS A CERTIFIED HOMEMAKER HOME HEALTH AIDE IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information indicating that Latoya Jackson, ("Respondent") the holder of Homemaker-Home Health Aide Certificate 26NH10604300 in the State of New Jersey was arrested on April 24, 2014 by the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office for violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5A(1), Manufacture/Distribute Controlled Dangerous Substance; N.J.S.A. 2C:39-4.1A, Possess Weapon While Committing a Controlled

Dangerous Substance Offense; Impair or Debauch Morals of a Child; N.J.S.A. 2C:39-3D, Possess Defaced Firearms, and N.J.S.A. 2C:36-2, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Specifically, Respondent was accused of driving with 150 wax folds of heroin in her possession and while her children were in the vehicle.

The Board sent a letter of inquiry, requesting certain information and submission of documents regarding this matter, to Respondent's address of record in Somerset, New Jersey, via regular and certified mail, on or about April 30, 2014.

On May 12, 2014 the Board received another flagging notice indicating that Respondent had been arrested on March 28, 2014 by the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office for violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2, Conspiracy Distribute Controlled Dangerous Heroin/Cocaine; N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2, Conspiracy Distribute Controlled Dangerous Substance; and N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5B(5), Distribute Narcotic Drug.

The Board sent another letter of inquiry, requesting certain information and submission of documents regarding this matter, to Respondent's address of record in Somerset, New Jersey, via regular and certified mail, on or about May 19, 2014.

The certified mailing for the first letter was delivered and signed for on May 8, 2014. The regular mailing was not returned. To date Respondent has not responded to the first letter.

According to the USPS website the certified mailing for the second letter was "Unclaimed" and the regular mailing was not returned. To date Respondent has not respondent to the second letter.

The facts underlying Respondent's arrest, if proven, would demonstrate that Respondent engaged in acts constituting crimes or offenses involving moral turpitude or relating adversely to homemaker-home health aide practice in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f).

The parties desiring to resolve this matter without further proceedings, and the Committee finding this Consent Order to be adequately protective of the public interest, and other good cause appearing;

ordered that:

1. Respondent is hereby granted leave and shall immediately surrender her certification to practice as a homemaker-home health aide in the State of New Jersey pending disposition of the criminal charges, successful completion of

all criminal sentencing terms (if any), and until further Order of the Board. Respondent shall, contemporaneously with the signing of this Order, forward her homemaker-home health aide certificate, both wallet and wall versions, to George Hebert, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101:

- 2. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from holding herself out as a certified homemaker-home health aide and/or practicing as a homemaker-home health aide, which includes but is not limited to performing delegated nursing regimens or nursing tasks delegated through the authority of a duly licensed professional nurse. Any practice in this State shall constitute grounds for a charge of unlicensed practice.
- 3. Prior to any application for restoration of her certification, Respondent shall demonstrate to the Board successful completion of all criminal sentencing terms (if any) and that she is fit and competent to serve as a homemaker-home health aide.
- preclude the Board from Nothing herein shall initiating disciplinary action based upon the conduct relating to Respondent as alleged above. The entry of the within Order is prejudice to the further investigation without prosecution of any violations by Respondent of any statutes or

regulations governing the practice of nursing in the State or any violations of law, by the Board, the Attorney General, or any other regulatory or law enforcement agency, including but not limited to any pending matters under investigation.

- 5. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed an admission of liability on the part of the Respondent.
- 6. Upon reinstatement of Respondent's certification to practice as a homemaker-home health aide, the Board, in its discretion, may impose any conditions or restrictions on certification it deems necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

7. Any violation of this order by Respondent shall constitute grounds for such proceedings as are permitted by law.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Bv:

Patricia Murphy, PhD. APB

President

I have read and understood the above Consent Order and I agree to be bound by its terms. I understand that this Consent Order has serious legal consequences and have decided to enter into this agreement with the Board without the advice of legal counsel. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

Latoya Jackson